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- June
Thurs. - 23 Fair. - I worked some in the garden. - Towards night we all, James and his family, Ernest and family, Thomas, Elwell, Lewis and I. - 3 autos - went to Seight's Point and had supper - steamed clams, etc. About 8 o'clock, Lewis, with Thomas, Elwell, Mertie, Agness, Edith and me, went down to Nina's.
- Fri. - 24 Fair, windy. - James and I went down to Nina's and to Eastport and home for dinner. The boys went fishing. - This afternoon James and family called over to May's and then down to Helen's for the night. Ed. and family came up this evening.
- Sat. - 25 Fair. - Clara started, with Lewis, Thomas and Elwell, this morning about 6:30 on her vacation. They expect to be to Lewis's home in Durham to night. ^{Arrived 8:10 to night.} - I have worked in my garden, hoeing, to day.
- Sun. - 26 Rained all day. - Home all day. - Roy was here to dinner. -
- Mon. - 27 Fair. - I cleaned my chicken pen, changed and filled "hoppers", etc., worked in the garden, etc.
- Tues. - 28 Fair, cool to night. - I weeded, etc., this forenoon. This afternoon we cultivated, etc.
- Wed. - 29 Partly cloudy. - I Churned, worked in the garden, and after supper went over to the High School play ground expecting to see a ball game. No game. James and Edith called this afternoon. They are stopping at Helen's.
- Thurs. - 30 Fair, warm. - I worked some in the garden, cut a tree for sills for hay-rack and hauled. Ernest and Mertie went to Calais.
- July
Fri. - 1 Dull, fair, warm. - I chored, etc. - Ed., Nina and the boys came up a while after supper. - James and folks with Aunt May were to Ernest's to supper. - Clara with Lewis and family probably went to Sanford, to Stellar's to day.

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Wet, clearing. - I worked some on my hayrack etc. - Ernest and family went to Eport to night. Fred Wilder and his father called to day.

Sun. - 3

Dull, wet. - Gussie and I went over to Ernest's to dinner. Gussie and Mertie went to church this evening.

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Mostly cloudy, cool. - We washed. I chored etc. - Ernest and family went to the Camp Ground for dinner and to Suber this P.M. Roy came up this evening - Quite a display of fireworks here on the hill by the wood-pile

Tues. - 5

Fair, cool. - I work some on my hayrack. This afternoon we cultivated, hoed, etc.

Wed. - 6

Fair. - I churned, worked on my rack, etc.

Thurs. - 7

Rainy, showery. - Chored, etc. Not much doing.

Fri. - 8

Rained this morning. Fair this afternoon.

I worked on my hayrack, etc. - Mertie and her father celebrated their birthdays to night at supper. She is 30 yrs. and he 68 -

Sat. - 9

Fair, warm. - I worked in my garden, etc. Rhoda called to night. Gussie picked straw berries, etc. He went down to the theater building to night.

Sun. - 10

Fair. - Home all day. - Ed., Nina and the boys came up this evening.

Mon. - 11

Fair, very warm. - This forenoon, I went in to the wood lot and cut 50 hay-rick stakes. Worked in the garden this after-noon.

Tues. - 12

Fair, warm. - I mixed mash for chicks, cleaned hen-pens, worked on my hay-rack, etc.

Wed. - 13

Fair, very warm. - I worked some on my rack, etc. Too warm to work. - Ed., Nina and the boys came up after supper. Bernard will stay up a few days. - Lawn Party at the Parsonage Lawn this evening

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- July
Thurs. - 14 Fair, cooler to night, rains lightly. One very sharp lightning and heavy clap of thunder about three-thirty this morning.
Chuned I finished my hay-rack, cultivated and hoed potatoes, etc. - Gussie and Bernard cultivated about all of his ground, sowed oats, etc. - Roy came up to night. -
- Fri. - 15 Sull. - I worked in the garden, etc., and helped Gussie pick strawberries.
- Sat. - 16 Cloudy, sunny, showery, etc. - I went down town, fixed machine up some for moving, etc. Gussie and Bernard went to the pictures and dance to night.
- Sun. - 17 Cloudy. - I got dinner to Ernest's. - Ed, Nina and Frederick came up this afternoon. Bernard went home with them. - I went to Church to night. Mertie and Alicia went, too.
- Mon. - 18 Rained last night. Cloudy. Cleared up this afternoon. - Gussie and I washed. - I helped Gussie pick strawberries, etc.
- Tues. - 19 Fair this morning. Cloudy. - I mowed Ernest's field this fore-noon. (Ernest mowed) Put hay-rack and rake together, etc. - This evening, I went with Ernest and family over to a band concert on the Dr. Pomroy lawn, given by the Boys Band of Eastport. Big crowd to a good concert.
- Wed. - 20 Rained about all of last night, lightly the most of today. - I mixed mash, went to town, etc. - Roy came up this fore-noon.
- Thurs. - 21 Fair. - We picked strawberries, raked Ernest's hay, etc. - Mertie preserved ten boxes of strawberries for us to night. Ernest carried me down to Howard Mahais after supper and I insured their buildings. - Got the Dempsey - Sharky scrap on the radio.

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Fri. - 22

Cloudy. - Thinned turnips this afternoon. Ernest and family went down to Nina's this afternoon.

Sat. - 23

Cloudy, Showery. - I thinned some turnips, chored, etc. - Ernest and family came up from Nina's this forenoon. Nina and the boys came up with them and will stay all night. The boys will stay here. - Roy came up to night.

Sun. - 24

Heavy rain last night. Showery to-day. I picked a mess of swiss chard greens for dinner. Ed. came up this forenoon. Ed., Nina and the boys of Ernest, Mertie and the girls were here to dinner.

Mon. - 25

Fair, ~~fine~~ - We turned our hay, etc. I dressed two hens for to-morrow. Gave one to Mertie. Picked from Clara, Stella and George came to Bangor with Lewis by auto, and from Bangor home on the train. Got home about 8:30 to night. All were quite tired. Roy came up to night.

Tues. - 26

Fair, very warm. - We tined and got in the hay - one load. - Clara has not felt at all well to-day. Better to night. James, Willis and Lem. called after supper. Auto. turn over and smashup on the hill here, to-day. No one hurt. Ernest towed the wrecked auto to St. Stephens to be shipped to St. John, this afternoon.

Wed. - 27

Hazy. - We mowed some this forenoon. Chored, etc. - James and Edith and Lem. and Helen called this afternoon. - Estelle went with Ernest and family and others to Leighton's Point to supper. - Ed. and family came up to night. Some went over to Sam's Party on Carol Fisher's lawn.

Thurs. - 28

Cloudy, fair. - James, Edith, Mrs. L., Willis, J. Jr., Lem, Helen and Esther were here to dinner. This afternoon the most of us went to Lubec. Had supper to Ernest's. Clara has not felt very well. Gueric raked the hay

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- July
- 29 Dull, fair, showery. - Gussie moved. - We got in two loads of hay. Ernest helped us. (Helene's)
- at - 30 Fair. Good hay day. - We tended and got in two loads of hay. George helped us. Ernest's folks with Stella went to Eastport to the circus. - Geo., Stella, Gussie and I went to the pictures to night.
- Aug. 31 Fair and warm this morning. Clouded up and rained lightly to night. - Gussie, Stella and I went to Church to night.
- Nov. - 1 Cloudy. - I cleaned brooder-house, mixed grain and mash, etc. - Roy came up to night. - Sears came over with load of grain, etc.
- Dec. 2 Rained last night. Clearing this afternoon. I sawed old rails, etc. Gussie moved some towards night. - Clara went over to Mrs. Fishers this afternoon. - Ernest and family took Stella and George down to Nina's this evening for a few days visit. I went with them.
- Wed. 3 Fair. - Gussie moved and raked, etc. I hand-mowed, sprayed potatoes, etc. ~~Lost~~ the cow but found her about dark.
- Thurs. 4 Fair. - Gussie moved, raked, etc., and we got in two loads of hay. Ernest and Johnny helped us some.
- Fri. 5 Foggy, fair. - We mowed a short time. Machine disabled. Raked and got in one load of hay. I picked peas, etc. - Ernest and Mertie went to Calais and St. Stephens this afternoon. Big Thunder shower there. Clara went down town to night. Alicia will stay here to night.
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Fair. - We finished mowing and got in two loads of hay, etc. Johnny helped us some.

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Sun. - 7

Fair -

Cloudy -

Ed. and family and Stella and Geo. came up this afternoon. Had birthday treat - ice cream, cake, candy, etc. - Stella ~~George~~ Clara and I went to church to night.

Mon. - 8

Cloudy. - I thinned and hoed, cabbage, etc., hauled in a small load of oats, etc. Stella, Geo. Clara and I went out blue berrying this afternoon. Roy came up to night.

Tues. - 9

Rained last night and most of today. Not much doing today. - Roy came up to night.

Wed. - 10

Fair. Turned and raked the hay, etc. This afternoon I shipped 31 broilers. Geo. went to the station with me.

Thurs. - 11

Fair, cool. - We finished haying, got in two loads. Geo. helped one load and Johnny helped with one. - Ernest and family, Geo., Stella and I went down to Leighton's Point to a steamed clams and picnic supper.

Fri. - 12

Fair. Showery. - Gussie got a load of fish from the factory. - This afternoon Gussie, Geo., Stella with Agnes and I went berrying this afternoon. I cleaned one hen-pen.

Sat. - 13

Fair. - I cleaned and oiled hen-pens, spread dressing, etc. Geo. and I went raspberrying towards night. We all went to the pictures to night. Geo. and John Carter called this afternoon.

Sun. - 14

Cloudy, cold. - This afternoon, Estella, Clara and I and Ed. and family went down to Leighton's Point to an open air Church service, Dr. Thomas from Baptist Church, Eastport, speaker. Good music, good sermon - but very cold. - Clara went down to Numa's with them to night. ^{Ernest} ~~parties~~ here to supper.

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- Mon. 15 Showery (rainy) cool. - Not much doing. This evening, Adna, Clara, Sybal and Sammie came down. Roy came up this evening.
- Tues. 16 Fair, Showery. - I mixed mash, etc. Worked some on wood shed, moved some in swampy land. Clara and Nina came up from Nina's to-night by train and back. - Roy came up to night.
- Wed. 17 Cloudy, showery. - Churned - I worked some on my wood shed, etc. - Estella, Nina, Clara and I went down to O.O.F. hall to a Guild supper.
- Thurs. 18 Dull. - I have worked on my wood shed, etc. We all went over to Ernest's for Agnes's birthday (6) treat - ice cream and cake. Nina went home to night by train.
- Fri. 19 Cloudy. - I worked on my shed, went to the station and got my hen-crates, grain, etc. Geo. and Stella went to the Camp Ground with Ernest and Mertie for a few days. Roy came up this evening.
- Sat. 20 Dull. - I worked on my wood shed. Clara went down town this afternoon.
- Sun. 21 Fair. - Home all day. Clara went over to the Baptist Church this fore-noon, Stella and Geo. and Ernest's folks are at the Camp Meeting. - Ralph Carter and Jimmy Williams started from their home, Reading, Mass. about 12:01 this morning on Jimmy's motor cycle and arrived here about 5:30 to night, for a few days visit. - They were very tired after their long ride. Ed., Nina and the boys came up after supper. - ~~Ralph~~ ^{Bernard} will stay up for a few days - Rob., Amy, Louise and Uncle George came from their home, North Andover yesterday, on their vacation. - Geo. and Rob. came over a while today.

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Mon.-22

Fair. - I raked a bushel of blue-berries, etc. - Gussie pulled his beets - about nine barrels. - Ernest and family and Geo. and Stella came home from the Cong. Meeting to night. - The boys, Jimmie, Ralph and Bernard helped Gussie -

Tues.-23

Cloudy, foggy, damp. - Too wet to rake berries. I piled wood in the wood-house (without a roof) Geo. and Jimmie Williams helped a while. Clara and Stella went over to Washington Hall to a Catholic concert (and dance) this evening. Roy came up to night.

Wed.-24

Big Rain Storm. Brooks and Swamps overflowing. I worked some in the shop, etc. Geo. and Estella went down to Nina's for a few days. Roy came up this forenoon. - Rob., Amy and Lottie (Sunn) Blodget called this forenoon.

Thurs.-25

Fair. - I piled wood, mowed oats, etc. The boys filled some wood, too. Gussie and the boys had a grand good time to night. Roy came up to night.

Fri.-26

Fair. - I raked berries, tended grain, etc. Ernest raked, too. - Gussie and Bernard picked berries and sold them. - Jimmie and Ralph went down to Nina's for the day. They came back to night. - Ed., Nina, Frederick brought Geo. and Stella back to night. - Mrs. Nellie (Ward) Blackwood and four children came here this forenoon, visiting.

Sat.-27

Fair, Cloudy, cool. - I raked berries this forenoon. Ernest raked part of time Geo. Stella and Mertie picked. This afternoon, Ernest and I carried four bu. of berries to the factory. Clara went up as far as Rose's Woods. - ~~Billie~~ Jimmy Williams and Ralph Carter started for Resolvin', Mass by Motor Car.

Geo. Stella, Amy and Lottie
Bernard and Jimmie
Ward - Ernest and
Roy - Bernard and
Lottie

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- Aug.
Sun.-28 Cloudy, foggy, damp. - Home all day. - Minister still on his vacation. - Ed, Nina and Frederick came up this fore-noon. Bernard went home with them to night. - "Uncle George" Bosworth came over to supper.
- Mon.-29 Rained all fore-noon and evening. Thundered quite heavy in South-west this fore-noon. - I went down town and to the factory. Piled some wood. Geo. piled some, too. Roy came up to night. - Rob. Bosworth and party started for their home (Ms. Andover, Mass.) this after-noon.
- Tue.-30 Foggy, wet, broken, foggy. - I worked on my wood-shed, etc. - Helen Dudley came up this evening with Verner and Esther who staid over to Ernests. Roy came up to night.
- Wed.-31 Fair, warm. - I raked a bu. of berries, turned oats, etc. - Ernest raked 2 bu. Gussie raked some. - Geo. and Stella started for Lewis's this morning by train. Ernest took them to Dennyville station. Mrs. John Thompson called this after-noon.
- Thurs.-1 Cloudy, wet some - Chored, mixed mash, etc. Ernest and Mertie went to Milltown and Calais. Pat Lakeman and his mother called here towards night. Alitia will stay here to night. Sears came over with grain.
- Fri.-2 Rained last night and this morning, clearing, fog. I went down town, chored, etc. - Roy came up to night.
- Sat.-3 Cloudy, rained some. - I worked on my shed. Mr. Elbridge B. Sprague of Presque Isle who is visiting at Mr. Geo. F. Sprague's called here.
- Sun.-4 Thundered and rained this morning - cleared this after-noon. - We and Ernest and family all went to church this evening.

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Mon. - 5

Labor Day.
Fair, good hay day. - Gussie and I each bought a load of hay of Millie Bushing. He hauled them this afternoon from Bret Wilder's field. - I raked berries this afternoon. Gussie raked some, too. - Clara went to Perry this morning by train (Ernest took her to the station) to go to Woodland with Ed. and family. Roy came up to night.

Tues. - 6

Fair. - Gussie and I went out in the pasture and hauled in two sticks for shed rafters, raked berries, turned oats, etc. - Clara came home from Nina's with Harvey Sprague towards night. Roy came up to night.

Wed. - 7

Cloudy, fair. - We raked a few qts of berries this morning. I got the horse shed, went to the factory with berries (Agness went with me) hauled in two loads of oats, etc. - Res. Mr. Coy called this afternoon. - Alicia will stay here to night.

Thurs. - 8

Fair, cool, windy. - I churned, chored, Ernest helped me finish moving oats, worked a while on my shed, etc. - Clara went down town to it. Agnes will stay here to night.

Fri. - 9

Fair, windy. - I worked on my shed. We got in a load of oats. - Clara went down town to night. - Roy came up this evening.

Sat. - 10

Fair. - I worked on my wood shed, etc. Zet, Keziah and Aunt Nina called. Alicia went to the pictures to night with Gussie.

Sun. - 11

Rained all day. - Ernest and family went to Milltown this afternoon. No Ch. service.

Mon. - 12

Fair. - I worked on my wood shed. Got some shingles of Capt. Gardner. Ed., Nina and the boys came up this evening. Roy came in a few minutes to night.

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Sat. - 13

Fair. - I worked on my wood shed - shingling.

Wed. - 14

Fair, windy, cool. - I shingled on wood shed, went to the station with crate of 16 hens, etc. - Clara went down town to a meeting of the Ladies Guild. - Roy came up to night.

Thurs. - 15

Fair. - I worked on my wood shed - shingling. Clara went down town after supper. Roy came up this evening.

Fri. - 16

Fair. - I shingled, etc. - Clara walked over to Mrs. Geo. Bartlett's and back this after-noon. - Ernest and family came down from Milltown before supper. Ernest and Agnes will stay at home, Alicia will stay here and Mertie will stay over with Lora.

Sat. - 17

Fair. - I finished shingling my wood shed. Ernest dug his potatoes, etc.

Sun. - 18

Fair. - Gussie and his mother went over to church to night. - Ernest and family went home (Milltown) this after-noon.

Mon. - 19

Rained all day. - I cleaned my brooder house and one henpen, etc. - Roy came up to night. - I changed some of my hens to night.

Tues. - 20

Rained last night (thundered and lightened) and part of fore-noon. Fair. - I went down town, went to the station and shipped 30 hens. - Towards night, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Jones and Cecil Jones and wife came of Haverhill came here. Stayed to supper and then went down to Helen Dudley. Roy came up to night.

Wed. - 21

Fair. - I cleaned one henpen, hauled out and spread dressing, took down stages from shed. Herbert and Mabel Jones, Cecil and Doris Jones, Vermer and Esther Dudley, Helen Dudley and also May Carter and Alicia were my guests at a Ladies Guild supper in I.O.O.F. Hall. They all with Ernest and Mertie spent the

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Sept.
Sun. - 22

Fair. - I dug potatoes (very rotten), cleared blue berry land, pulled beans, went down to Benj. Jones's, etc. - Clara went down town after supper. Roy came up to night.

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Rained last night and this morning. Light shower this evening. I went down town, worked on shed, dug potatoes, etc. - Herbert Jones and family started for home this fore-noon. Called here.

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Fair, worked on shed, cleared blue berry land, dug potatoes, etc. - Verner Dudley, Esther and Helen (with Leo's little boy) called a while this afternoon. - Ernest and family came down from Milltown towards night. - Alicia will stay here to night. - Capt. Elliot Gardner died this afternoon after quite a long illness.

Sun. - 25

Fair. - Gussie and I went over to Church this evening.

Mon. - 26

Put pullets
in henpen.

Fair, warm. - I worked on the shed a while, cleared up in the pasture. This afternoon Clara and I attended the funeral of Capt. Elliot Gardner. - Ernest and family went home (Milltown) to night. - Roy came up.

Tues. - 27

Fair, cool. - We finished putting our wood in the wood-sheds. Gussie dug some potatoes. I carried a crate of chickens to the station and a crate of hens for Gussie. Clara and Zetta went over to Mrs. Fisher's this afternoon. Roy came up to night.

Wed. - 28

Big frost this morning - the first here. - Fair, Churned. Stacked my beans in the shed, dug potatoes, etc. Clara and Zetta went down town this afternoon. Roy came up.

Thurs. - 29

Cloudy. - I got out a pole for aerial wire went down town, dug potatoes, etc. - Ernest and family came down from Milltown this morning. He and Mr. Taylor (of his teachers) went to Madison To Teachers Convention. - Roy came up to night.